Listing and Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace the claims that were published in the PCT Application:

Claims 1 to 16: are cancelled

17. (new) A light emitting display including a multiplicity of elements arranged in rows and columns, wherein the elements include a light-emitting means which emits light when a current flows through it, having a first current control means which is connected in series with the light-emitting means, wherein a control signal is supplied to a control electrode of the first current control means, having a first switching means which is controlled by a first switching signal and which is arranged in the feed to the control electrode, having a second switching means which is arranged in series with the first switching means in the feed to the control electrode of the first current control means and which is controlled by a second switching signal, wherein a control electrode of a second current control means is switchably connected to the current control electrode of the first current control means via the first and the second switching means,

18. (new) The light emitting display of claim 17, wherein the first and second current control means form a current mirror circuit when the first and second switching means are closed, wherein a drive signal cyclically rising from a predetermined starting value to an end value is switchably supplied to the second current control means via third switching means, wherein the control signal supplied to the control electrode of the first current control means is dependent on the drive signal.

19. (new) The light emitting display of claim 17, wherein the control electrode of the second current control means is replaced by a controllable voltage source providing the control signal cyclically rising from a predetermined starting value to an end value.

20. (new) The light emitting display of claim 17, wherein a signal holding means is connected to the control electrode of the first current control means wherein the control signal is held when the first and/or second switching means interrupts the supply of the control signal to the control electrode of the first current control means.

21. (new) The light emitting display of claim 20, wherein the control signal and/or the signal held by the signal holding means can be put into a predetermined state by means of a fourth switching means.

22. (new) The light-emitting display of claim 17, wherein a common first switching signal is supplied to a plurality of first switching means in elements in a line and/or a column.

23. (new) A method for operating a light emitting display including a multiplicity of elements arranged in rows and columns, wherein the elements include a light-emitting means which emits light when a current flows through it, wherein the elements have a first current control means which is connected in series with the light-emitting means, wherein a control signal is supplied to a control electrode of the first current control means, wherein a first switching means which is arranged in the feed to the control electrode is controlled by a first switching signal, wherein a second switching means which is arranged in series with the first switching means in the feed to the control electrode of the first current control means is controlled by a second switching signal, wherein the method includes the following steps:
- closing the first switching means at the start of the cycle;
- closing the second switching means before or after closing the first switching means;

- applying a control signal to the first current control means which control signal rises constantly from a predetermined starting value;
- opening the first switching means when the luminous flux emitted by the light-emitting means reaches a desired magnitude;
- opening the second switching means; and
- initiating a new cycle when the applied control signal reaches a predetermined final value.

24. (new) The method of claim 23, wherein the method includes actuating a plurality of light-emitting elements in a column or in a line in parallel and actuating the columns or lines sequentially.

25. (new) Method according to claim 23, wherein the method further includes the step of:
- temporarily applying a fourth switching signal to a fourth switching means for setting the signal holding means to a predetermined state.

26. (new) The method of claim 23, wherein an idle time is provided between two cycles.